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Application No.: 10/709,603

**REMARKS**

**Present Status of the Application**

Claims 1-16 are objected to because there is insufficient antecedent basis in claims 1, 8, 9, 10 and 16.

Applicant has amended claims 1, 8, 9, 10 and 16 as following:

In claims 1, 9, "the cell retention capacity" is amended into "a cell retention capacity" to overcome the objection.

In claims 8, 16, "the baking process is carried out using *the same heating device* for performing the memory cell retention check" is amended into "the baking process is carried out using *a heating device the same to that* for performing the memory cell retention check" to overcome the objection.

In claims 9, 10, "the photoresist layer" is amended into "the patterned photoresist layer" to overcome the objection.

After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1-16 remain pending in the present application, and reconsideration of those claims is respectfully requested.

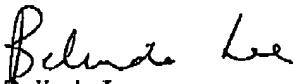
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**CONCLUSION**

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that the pending claims are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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